

Reaching CSIR-CECRI Karaikudi

By Air:

From Chennai, one can fly either to Trichy or to Madurai to reach Karaikudi. Both the airports are equidistant (100 km) from Karaikudi and both these airports are connected by direct flights from all major cities of India. The Airport at Trichy also receives international flights from Singapore, Dubai, Sharjah, Kuwait, Colombo and Kuala Lumpur.

By Rail:

Karaikudi Junction (KRD) is well-connected by train from Chennai through:

- Pallavan SF Express (Train #12605) - Departs Chennai Egmore (MS) at 3:45 PM and arrives in Karaikudi at 10:35 PM.
- Rameswaram Express (Train #22661) - Departs Chennai Egmore (MS) at 5:45 PM and arrives in Karaikudi at 00:43 AM.
- MS RMM Express (Train #16751) - Departs Chennai Egmore (MS) at 7:15 PM and arrives in Karaikudi at 4:10 AM.
- Tambaram - Sengottai SF Express (Train #20683) - Departs Tambaram (TBM) at 9:00 PM and arrives in Karaikudi at 4:58 AM (runs Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday).
- Silambu SF Express (Train #20681) - Departs Chennai Egmore (MS) at 8:25 PM and arrives in Karaikudi at 3:03 AM (runs Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday).
- Karaikudi Junction is also connected to other cities like Varanasi and Bhubaneswar by direct trains (Special trains).

Upon arrival at Karaikudi Junction, take a taxi or auto rickshaw for the 3 km journey to CSIR-CECRI located adjacent to Alagappa University

By Road:

Karaikudi is also well-connected to Chennai, Bangalore through National Highway via Trichy. Direct buses to Karaikudi and Trichy are available from Chennai. Also From MGR Bus Stand (earlier known as Mattuthavani Bus stand) Madurai, one can ply to Karaikudi New Bus stand by bus at any time.

CSIR-CECRI is just 3kms away from Karaikudi New Bus stand and the fare by auto or taxi would be approximately Rs.100.

Accommodation options

For your stay near CSIR-CECRI, Karaikudi, you'll find a range of comfortable and affordable hotels within a 3km radius. Name of a few reputed Hotels and their contact numbers are given below for your information and reference. You can contact the respective hotels and book accommodation yourself. CSIR-CECRI does not provide accommodation to the candidates.

S.No	Name	Contact Number	Tariff Details per day
1.	Hotel Nachiappa Palace	9487556587 04565230077	Rs. 1300/-
2.	Hotel Subham Palace	7358936700	Rs.1700/- (2 members) Rs. 2700/- (4 members)
3.	Hotel Sathguru Grand	9150444888	Rs. 2000/-
4.	Hotel Krishna Garden	7871857557	Rs. 1500/- (2 members)
5.	Hotel Nachi Residency	9443016261 04565225128	Rs. 2200/- (2members)